

Getting in Fashion.
"I wonder why she is so offended," he said.
"It's because of the letter you sent her," replied her dearest friend, confidentially.
"Why, there was nothing in that to offend her," he protested.
"Not in it, but on the envelope," explained her dearest friend. "You addressed it to 'Miss Mary Smith.'" "Well, isn't that her name?"
"It used to be, but now it's Mayrye Smith."—Chicago Post.

Scaly Fellow.
There had been a robbery at the church while the funeral services were in progress, and the suspected person, a stranger who had seemed deeply affected, had got away.
"Can you describe him?" asked the detective.
"Yes," answered the victim. "He was carrying a small alligator grip and shedding large crocodile tears."—Chicago Tribune.

Billie's Rhapsody.

"The kick of a mule
Will make you wince.
One kicked back
Hain't seen him since!"
—Atlanta Constitution.

DANIEL ONCE MORE.



Rev. Fiddle, D. D.—Yes, Daniel was east into a den of lions, but not one of them dared touch him. How strange!
Pupil (scornfully)—Aw, dat's nuthin', I seen a duck do dat act in de circus las' year.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Understands His Business.
An undertaker, blow for blow,
In fight would badly pan out;
But when it comes to boxing, though,
He'll neatly lay his man out.
—Judge.

The Difference.
"There is one difference," said old Mr. Rockingham, "between our son and a poor rule."
"What's that?" his wife asked.
"A poor rule won't work both ways. The other won't work any way."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Her Literary Pretense.
"Did you ever read Gray's Elegy in a Country Church Yard?"
The fair young girl looked puzzled, but only for a moment.
"Yes, indeed," she answered. "I have read it in a country churchyard and lots of other places."—Washington Star.

Experts.
"So we are going to take a census of Cuba."
"Yes. I understand that one-half the population of Chicago have applied for the job."—Brooklyn Life.

His New Dignity.
Mr. Jiner—I've been elected to the office of invincible high protector of the sanctuary in my lodge.
His Wife—What are the duties?
Mr. Jiner—I have to guard the outer door.—Chicago Tribune.

His Reward of Merit.
There was no one at his funeral because, from early youth, he'd made it a plan, had this candid man, to always speak the truth.
—Elliot's Magazine.

CHANGE OF MENU.



"What do you want?"
"I want a hot bird an' a large, cold bottle; but I kin git erlong wid some hard cider an' er pumpkin pie if yer got em handy."—N. Y. Evening Journal.

Like Some Girls.
The goat he ate a rubber shoe and softly he would hum:
"Boys, I'm doing nothing new,
I'm simply chewing gum."
—Chicago Daily News.

A Thoughtful Wife.
First Lady—What New Year's present are you going to give to your husband?
Second Lady—A hundred cigars.
First Lady—And what did you pay for them?
Second Lady—Oh, nothing! For the last few months I have taken one or two out of Jack's box every day. He hasn't noticed it, and will be pleased with my selecting the right quality of cigars.—Collier's Weekly.

We Can Wait.
"Did she think that the world was eagerly waiting for that first poem of hers?"
"Evidently. She got me out of bed to make a copy of it on the typewriter and then sent it to the editor by special delivery. That was 18 months ago, and the poem has never appeared."—Detroit Free Press.

Revenge.
Voice (from the top flat)—Can't you see the sign in the hall there—"no peddlers allowed in this building?"
Answering Voice (at other end of speaking tube, loud enough to be heard through the building)—I ain't a peddler, ma'am. I'm the boy from the dentist's, with your new teeth!—Chicago Tribune.

Another War Victim.
Hubbs—This war has caused a pile of suffering.
Tubbs—It has, indeed. I have suffered terribly from it myself.
Hubbs—Why, you didn't go to the war, did you?
Tubbs—No, but I married the widow of a man who did.—Town Topics.

No Harm Done.
The Parson—I understand you brought your dog to church with you, Sunday, Thomas?
Thomas—Yes, your reverence; but he went to sleep as soon as you began to preach, like the rest of us, and disturbed no one, sir.—Yonkers Statesman.

A Plain Proposal.
"I'm a plain man, Miss Timmins."
"You are, Mr. Barclay."
"Can I make myself any plainer?"
"Impossible, Mr. Barclay."
"Then your answer in plain words—"
"In one plain word, Mr. Barclay—yes."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Alas!
She seemed to treat me like a dog,
There isn't any doubt,
Except there is no chance, now, of
A license taking out.
—N. Y. World.

DIDN'T ADMIRE THE EXERCISE.



Mrs. Brush—Mrs. Morton has no piano in her new house.
Mrs. Crandall—No; she's a little sensitive about pianos.
Mrs. Brush—Why?
Mrs. Crandall—Well, she was Mr. Morton's stenographer before they were married.—Harlem Life.

Dog's Delight.
Never mind the small pup when his howling begins—
He howls to get out just to howl to get in.
—Chicago Record.

A Possible Explanation.
Harold—I think Algy's engagement with Miss Van Swelle must be broken off. I never see them together any more.
Percy—Perhaps they are married.—N. Y. Journal.

A Bad Lot.

Harold Proudfoot—What! Not a bit particular whether you get married or not? Why, some girls pray for men!
Grace Witmer—Well, you can't blame them for that—the men need praying for!—Puck.

Physical Impossibility.
Nell—I wouldn't be in your shoes for anything.
Bele (sweetly)—You couldn't get into them, my dear.—Tit-Bits.

Obstinate Women.
"Clara, when you are in the wrong you never will acknowledge it."
"Yes, I will; only I'm never in the wrong."—Chicago Record.

His Pa Explains.
Tommy—Pa, is the baby crying because he hasn't any teeth?
Father—No, my son; he's crying because he's going to have some.—Puck.

The Worst of All.
Bill—There is a handorgan trust, now.
Jill—Another grinding monopoly.—Yonkers Statesman.

PRACTICAL PHILANTHROPY.

A Most Worthy Cincinnati Enterprise That Should Be Generally Known.

Who has not heard of those hotels in New York and other Eastern cities in which people who have no homes and whose means are limited find a substitute for a home so far as comfort is concerned. Much has been written in praise of these hotels and the good they have accomplished.

Perhaps few are aware that a model hotel of this kind has opened its doors in Cincinnati to young men without homes, which compares most favorably with the Eastern hotels of this character.

The hotel is called the "Columbian," located at the corner of Longworth and Elm streets. It is the property of one of the most prominent citizens of Cincinnati, who makes the investment, not for profit, but to help those in need of such accommodations without having to fall back on the "saloon."

The basement of the six-story structure devoted to this enterprise, is fitted out with baths, nicely and conveniently arranged, which are free to its patrons. There is also a small hall in the basement, where games, such as cards, dominoes, chess, etc., add to an evening's amusement and affords pastime.

On the second floor we find the reading room; where the most prominent newspapers and periodicals are distributed for the use of the guests.

The other floors are laid out in lodging rooms, containing bed, chairs and hooks fastened to the wall, to hang garments. Cleanliness reigns supreme, and is indeed exemplary, and be it said to the credit of the establishment that even the most fastidious housewife could not find cause for complaint on this score.

The beds are iron, and the linen is changed daily, so that each guest at evening finds a freshly covered bed. Wardrobes are placed in those rooms which are particularly set apart for guests who live for any length of time at the hotel. On each floor there are also several marble washstands and other necessary appointments. As before stated, everything is thoroughly neat and clean.

There are accommodations for about two hundred guests. The price for lodgings is 25 cents per night, with the use of the bath, and this price holds good whether the lodger be a guest of the hotel for one night only or for any length of time.

The rooms are heated by steam, and the hotel is lighted by electricity throughout. A commodious elevator connecting several stories is another great convenience of the hotel.

The building is constructed of iron and stone and is therefore as perfectly fire-proof as can be made. Furthermore, fire escapes, easy of access from all parts of the building, make the exit, in case of fire, an easily accomplished matter.

The whole is a model institution, and offers to its guests, at a very reasonable price, many of the comforts of home. To a great many men, this hotel has indeed proven a great blessing and deserves the fullest recognition.

The undertaking is a philanthropic one, the cause good, and although not proclaimed from the housetops, the establishment fulfills all expectations, and if these lines bring to a wider circle of acquaintance this "Model Hotel" they serve a good purpose.

NURSERY CARS.

Here is a Wall from a Bachelor Who Is Particular About Traveling Companions.

The innovation of a nursery car upon our railways—or, at any rate, upon the long-distance trains—would be an institution hailed with delight by all men and most women, says the Cincinnati Enquirer.

How many men who do not themselves smoke invariably travel in a smoking carriage because there they feel more secure from an invasion of children and babies than in any other part of the train.

Babies form a class entirely by themselves in the category of unpleasant traveling companions, and there are probably few who at some time in their lives have not had experience of the noisy, sticky-fingered, peppermint-sucking, drag little children, who trample on your toes and deposit luscious, half-sucked gobs of taffy on your trousers in their endeavor to reach the window to put their heads out, whence they are promptly hauled back by anxious mothers or nurses, and cry; or the babies in arms who placidly assimilate milk from a bottle until jolt of the train makes them choke, having at that moment more nourishment than they can possibly deal with; or the inquiring child who plays with the hinges of the door until the guard slams it; or the child who is perpetually feeding, and throughout the journey sits in a semitorpid state sucking oranges, the all-pervading odor of which fills the carriage.

Babies are all very well, but a baby in a railway carriage, like a bull in a china shop, is out of place.

How Things Worked.
"New shoes make old ones last better."
"What do you mean?"
"When you know you have a new pair in your closet you feel like wearing the old ones a while longer."—Chicago Record.

A Similar Feeling.
Galloway—I don't suppose any man can realize how Dewey feels with all the honors that are being showered upon him.

Wicksley—Oh, I don't know. We've got a 12-pound baby at our house.—N. Y. World.

Latest in Advertising.

A new scheme of advertising was resorted to by a progressive business firm in a prosperous city in the south. The junior partner of the firm swore out a warrant for the arrest of the senior partner on the ground that he was selling goods below cost and that the firm was constantly losing money thereby. The case came up in court and the counsel for the senior partner asked for a postponement in order to have more time to prepare his case. The judge granted the request, bail was fixed, and the senior member released. As he left the courtroom the junior partner arose and exclaimed: "If he is released the sacrifice will go on!" The news soon spread and the firm did a better business. When the case was again called on no plaintiff appeared and the charge was dismissed. The firm had succeeded in their object—advertisement.—Philadelphia Call.

Mormonism.

This is a question that should interest every one. It is a blot upon our fair land—a symptom of governmental ill-health. The right laws would act as speedily upon it as Hostetter's Stomach Bitters does upon constipation or dyspepsia. They would quickly clear it out and restore healthy purity; and this is just what the bitters does for the human constitution. It makes the stomach strong by curing indigestion, biliousness and liver trouble.

Equality of the Sexes.
Woman certainly stands at last upon a footing more nearly equal with that of man. For instance, she may no longer gain entrance into the column of the literary magazines by merely murdering somebody, but has, as has her brother, to go in search of the north pole, or to ride many consecutive centuries upon a bicycle, etc.—Boston Journal.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is often tenfold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

Sold by Druggists, price 75c per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Time and Money.

Miss Romanique—The foreign nobility having nothing to do, must lead awfully monotonous lives.

Miss Kostique—Yes, I notice those who come over here never seem to have any change.—Catholic Standard and Times.

The Best Prescription for Chills.

and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILLS. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price, 50c.

\$20 Per Week.
We pay \$20 per week and expenses for man with rig to introduce our Poultry Mixture. Send stamp for terms. Excelsior Mig. Co., Parsons, Kans.

"Charitable man, Jenkins is." "Really?"
"Yes. A poor fellow stopped on the street to-day and asked us to help him get the price of a meal. I gave him a dime."
"Jenkins did better?" "He gave him a toothpick."—Philadelphia Press.

Crying Babies.
Are the ones who take dangerous drugs for Croup, Pneumonia and Diphtheria. Hoxsie's Croup Cure is safe and sure. 50 cts.

The large number of articles left on the pawnbroker's hands proves that there are a great many people in this world without a redeeming quality.—Elliot's Magazine.

The Queen & Crescent.
Only through Pullman line to Florida. The Queen & Crescent only through car line to Asheville.

Popularity often makes a man believe what he knows isn't true.—Chicago Daily News.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

A man who is in the habit of telling everything he hears soon doesn't soon hear very much.—Washington (La.) Democrat.

After six years' suffering I was cured by Pilo's Cure.—Mary Thomas, 294 Ohio Ave., Allegheny, Pa., March 10, '99.

The hungry mendicant prefers the cold ham to the cold shoulder.—Chicago Daily News.

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES do not stain the hands or spot the kettle. Sold by all druggists.

The great virtue of industry: all the other virtues follow in its train.—Athenian Globe.

THE MARKETS.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 30.
LIVE STOCK—Cattle, com'n 4 35
Select butcher 4 50
CALVES—Extra 7 50
HOGS—Choice packers 4 40
Mixed packers 4 30
Light shippers 4 25
SHEEP—Choice 3 85
LAMB—Extra 4 10
FLOUR—Winter patent 3 25
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red 3 05
No. 3 red 2 95
Corn—No. 2 mixed 2 25
Oats—No. 2 mixed 2 25
Rye—No. 2 2 10
HAY—Choice timothy 12 75
SWEET—Choice dairy 16 18
Choice creamery 16 18
APPLES—Choice to fancy 3 25
POTATOES—Per brl 1 75

CHICAGO.
FLOUR—Winter patent 3 40
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red 3 05
No. 3 Chicago spring 2 95
Corn—No. 2 2 25
OATS—No. 2 2 10
PORK—Mess 5 85
LARD—Steam 5 50

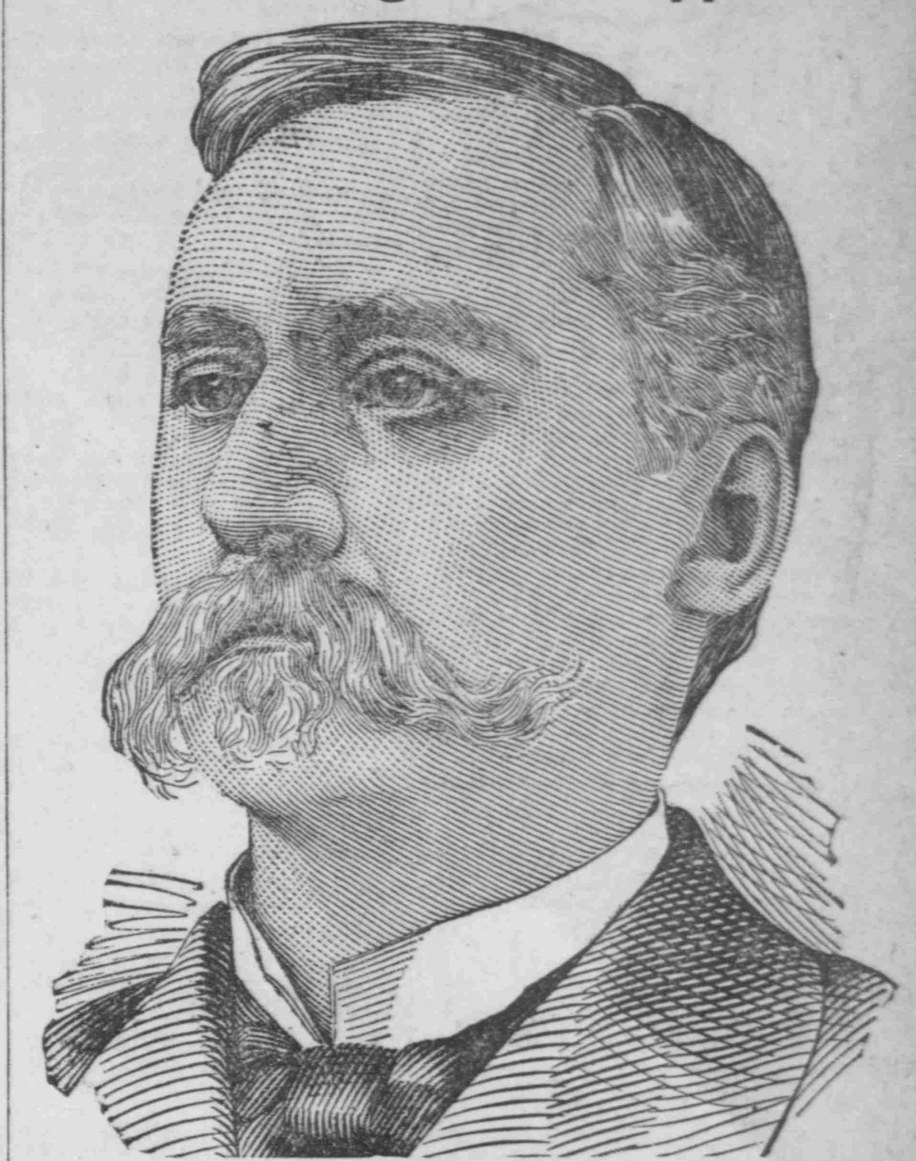
NEW YORK.
FLOUR—Winter patent 3 35
WHEAT—No. 2 red 3 05
Corn—No. 2 mixed 2 25
RYE 2 10
OATS—Mixed 2 10
PORK—Mess 5 85
LARD—Steam 5 50

BALTIMORE.
FLOUR—Family 3 25
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red 3 05
Southern 2 95
Corn—Mixed 2 25
Oats—No. 2 white 2 10
Rye—No. 2 2 10
HOGS—Western 4 40

INDIANAPOLIS.
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red 3 05
Corn—No. 2 mixed 2 25
Oats—No. 2 2 10
LOUISVILLE.
FLOUR—Winter patent 3 45
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red 3 05
Corn—Mixed 2 25
PORK—Mess 5 85
LARD—Steam 5 50

U. S. SENATOR ROACH

Says Peruna, the Catarrh Cure, Gives Strength and Appetite.



Hon. W. N. Roach, United States Senator from North Dakota, personally endorses Peruna, the great catarrh cure and tonic. In a recent letter to The Peruna Medicine Company, at Columbus, Ohio, written from Washington, D. C., Senator Roach says:

"Persuaded by a friend I have used Peruna as a tonic, and I am glad to testify that it has greatly helped me in strength, vigor and appetite. I have been advised by friends that it is remarkably efficacious as a cure for the almost universal complaint of catarrh."

Senator Roach's home address is Larimore, North Dakota. Peruna is not a guess, nor an experiment; it is an absolute, scientific certainty. Peruna cures catarrh wherever located. Peruna has no substitutes—no rivals. Insist upon having Peruna. Let no one persuade you that some other remedy will do nearly as well. There is no other systemic remedy for catarrh but Peruna. Address The Peruna Medicine Company, Columbus, Ohio, for a free book on catarrh, written by Dr. Hartman.

SAVE YOUR STAR TIN TAGS
"Star" tin tags (showing small stars printed on under side of tag), "Horse Shoe," "J. T.," "Good Luck," "Cross Bow," and "Drummond" Natural Leaf Tin Tags are of equal value in securing presents mentioned below, and may be assorted. Every man, woman and child can find something on the list that they would like to have, and can have

FREE!
1 Match Box, 25c
2 Knives, one blade, good steel, 25c
3 Sewers, 4x inches, 25c
4 Child's Set, Knife, Fork and Spoon 25c
5 Salt and Pepper Set, one each, 25c
6 Triple plate on white metal, 25c
7 French Briar Wood Pipe, 25c
8 Razor, hollow ground, fine English steel, 25c
9 Butter Knife, triple plate, best quality, 25c
10 Sugar Shell, triple plate, best quality, 25c
11 Stamp Box, sterling silver, 25c
12 Knife, "Keen Kutter," two blades, 25c
13 Butcher Knife, "Keen Kutter," 8-in blade, 25c
14 Cheese, "Keen Kutter," 8-in blade, 25c
15 Nut Set, Cracker and 6 Picks, silver plated, 25c
16 Base Ball, "Association," best quality, 25c
17 Alarm Clock, nickel, 25c
18 Six Genuine Rogers' Teaspoons, best plated goods, 25c
19 Watch, nickel, stem wind and set, 25c
20 Carvers, good steel, buckhorn handles, 25c
21 Six Genuine Rogers' Table Spoons, best plated goods, 25c
22 Six each, Knives and Forks, buckhorn handles, 25c
23 Six each, Genuine Rogers' Knives and Forks, best plated goods, 25c
24 Clock, 8-day, Calendar, Thermometer, Barometer, 25c
25 Gun case, leather, no better made, 25c
26 Revolver, automatic, double action, 25c
27 Tool Set, not playthings, but real tools, 25c
28 Toilet Set, decorated porcelain, very handsome, 25c
29 Remington Rifle No. 4, 22 or 24 cal., 25c
30 Watch, sterling silver, full jeweled, 25c
31 Dress Suit Case, leather, handsome and durable, 25c
32 Sewing Machine, first class, with all attachments, 25c
33 Revolver, Colt's, 38-caliber, blue steel, 25c
34 Rifle, Colt's, 16-shot, 22-caliber, 25c
35 Guitar (Washburn), rosewood, laid, 25c
36 Mandolin, very handsome, 25c
37 Winchester Repeating Shot Gun, 12 gauge, 25c
38 Remington, double-barrel, hammer Shot Gun, 10 or 12 gauge, 25c
39 Bicycle, standard make, ladies or gents, 25c
40 Shot Gun, Remington, double barrel, hammerless, 25c
41 Regina Music Box, 15 1/4 inch Dial, 25c

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BEAR IN MIND that a dime's worth of
STAR PLUG TOBACCO
will last longer and afford more pleasure than a dime's worth of any other brand.
MAKE THE TEST!
Send tags to CONTINENTAL TOBACCO CO., St. Louis, Mo.

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